financial sector reforms, the pension sector is also being opened for private competition.

High/Low Power Transmitters installed in Andhra Pradesh

1899. DR. MOHAN BABU: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of High Power Transmitters, Low Power Transmitters and Very Low Power Transmitters installed in Andhra Pradesh during the last two years;

(b) whether all the transmitters are functioning satisfactorily;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and remedial action taken by Government; and

(d) the number of such transmitters proposed to be installed in Andhra Pradesh during the Ninth Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) One High Power Transmitter, seven Low Power transmitters, and one Very Low Power Transmitter have been commissioned during the last two years in Andhra Pradesh.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Three High Power Transmitters, eighteen Low Power Transmitters and three Very Low Power Transmitters.

Air Programmes in Remote Areas of Border

†1900. SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the programmes of All India Radio are being heard in remote areas of Indo-Burma and Indo-Bangladesh borders; and

(b) if not, what steps have been taken by Government to ensure that the programmes of All India Radio are heard in Chalna district council area?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI ARUN

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